(b) To the extent that the Commission determines such action to be necessary or appropriate in the exercise of the powers and duties vested in or imposed upon it by this sub-title, such Commission shall continue and carry to a conclusion any proceeding, hearing, or investigation which, at the time this compact takes effect, is pending before the Public Utilities Commission of the District of Columbia, the Interstate Commerce Commission, the Public Service Commission of Maryland, or the State Corporation Commission of Virginia. In the event the Commission assumes jurisdiction in any such case, it shall be governed by the provisions of this compact and not by the provisions of law applicable at the time the proceedings were instituted.

## Annual Report of the Commission.

307. The Commission shall make an annual report to the Governor of Virginia and the Governor of Maryland, and to the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia as soon as practicable after the 1st day of January of each year, which shall contain, in addition to a report of the work performed under this sub-title, such other information and recommendations concerning passenger transportation within the Metropolitan District, as the Commission deems advisable.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1959.

Approved April 28, 1959.

## CHAPTER 614

## (House Bill 35)

AN ACT, to add a new sub-section to Section 5 of Article 25A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Chartered Counties of Maryland", sub-title "Express Powers", said new subsection to be known as Sub-section (X) and to follow immediately after sub-section 5(W) thereof, adding to and extending the express powers of chartered counties by enabling such counties to enact local zoning and planning laws.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That a new sub-section be and it is hereby added to Article 25A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Chartered Counties of Maryland", sub-title "Express Powers", said new subsection to be known as Sub-section (X) to follow immediately after Section 5(W) thereof, and to read as follows:

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(X) Planning and Zoning. To enact local laws, for the protection and promotion of public safety, health, morals and welfare, relating to zoning and planning.

EXPLANATION: Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken out of bill.